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Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 13:26:55 CDT
From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3512

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     by little e <ejones@hiwaay.net>
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 16) opening the Collins 312B-4
     by "Nick England" <nick@3rdtech.com>

From: WA5CAB@cs.com

Message-ID: <3c.3237189c.2c3cf40d@cs.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 00:29:01 EDT
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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Did anyone ever wonder why stupidity isn't against the law? It's because most politicians (who unfortunately are the creatures who make the laws) are lawyers. QED.

In a message dated 7/8/2003 10:58:48 PM Central Daylight Time, ezeran@concentric.net writes:
> Wasn't there some thing like this about 20 years ago where "Soldapult", the
> original solder sucker, got attacked for eye damage. I think that caused all
> solder suckers to have the spring loaded shaft shrouded. But....if you are
> too f'n stoooopid to use a solder sucker what do you do with the iron???
> I'll bet a lot of those dummies got whupped by a techno-bear with a
> shovel..."Only YOU can prevent test bench fires!!"
>
>
> classless reaction lawsuit
>

Robert & Susan Downs - Houston
<http://stores.andale.com/wa5cab>
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Message-ID: <4a.1f6cafc7.2c3cf4a6@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 00:31:34 EDT
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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I really like this list!
73, Don - K4BEV

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From: Jim321@webtv.net
Date: Tue, 8 Jul 2003 21:37:21 -0700 (PDT)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Regarding "It Had to Happen . . ."
Message-ID: <13296-3F0B9C01-7259@storefull-2355.public.lawson.webtv.net>
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castrate the 2nd. Amendment by outlawing lead, which means no bullets,
except to police and military. A little nibble here, and a little nibble
there..., no more "rights" in the USA. Just "Big Business & Big
Government" telling the 'tax-cattle' what to buy, wear, eat, and think.
=A9'03 Jim Skladany

Message-ID: <024401c345d9$a77bbcf0$8cffff0a@ejzlt>
From: "Ed Zeranski" <ezeran@concentric.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
Date: Tue, 8 Jul 2003 22:19:21 -0700
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Robert!
    I still have one original and several tips too, and not the wimpy =
anti static kind either, the real 'manly' blue and white ones made to =
compete with 100 watt irons and WWII multi-wrap parts on terminals. You =
gotta check the 'O' ring inside then give it a shot of grease or silicon =
spray.

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Message-ID: <12d.2d2d8c01.2c3d0278@cs.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 01:30:32 EDT
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen (hot soldering irons)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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From: "Arden Allen" <gumbear@pacbell.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: It had to happen....., etc., etc.
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 04:05:49 -0700
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Lot of familiar stories in this thread. Ruined double-knits, scars, no missing eyes though.

But I take issue with the Solda-Pullit remarks. You folks know damned well that trying to desolder a terminal buried in the nether regions of our boatanchors can get you into more positions than Kamasutra III prescribes. Those compact early solder suckers were just the trick for tight places and they also suffered from hair trigger mechanisms. Not hard to see how someone could poke an eye out.

Subject of a lawsuit? When risk is amorally based on the bottom line it's just deserts for the lawyers to swoop in for the carrion. Are people stupid? You betcha. Safety is just like television. It's based on the lowest common denominator of intelligence that will attract the most participants. So take your choice. Pay higher medical insurance costs or pay for the safety engineering that goes into today's products.

Now, back to Solda-Pullits. They, even the "safe" ones, are nasty business. Every time you "cock" the suckers you blow a puff of lead and lead compound dust into the air. Not the best stuff to accumulate in the lungs. Many years of that activity will pollute your work bench environment. Not the best thing to immerse your pets and grandkiddies in.

My solution is to use a Solda-Pullit only occasionally. I use desoldering wick for most work, even though a bit costly. At my age it doesn't matter and no kiddies to worry about so all I have to worry about now is terrorists building bombs under my bed and underarm deodorant aluminum poisoning giving me Alzheimer's. .....Now how did I get started on this rant anyway.....??

Arden Allen
KB6NAX
Vallejo, CA 94590
gumbear@pacbell.net

Message-ID: <003601c34616$a962dfc0$fd0212ac@3rdtech.com>
From: "Nick England" <nick@3rdtech.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 08:36:03 -0400
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Guys, the really sad thing is that this lawsuit will most probably get filed and then settled out of court - the lawyers will pocket a few million and you won't see a TenTec or Elecraft kit ever again.

Nick KD4CPL
What's black & tan and looks good on a lawyer? A Doberman.

----- Original Message -----
From: <K4BEV@aol.com>
To: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2003 12:31 AM
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen

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> 73, Don - K4BEV
>

From: Henry van Cleef <vancleef@eskimo.com>
Message-Id: <200307091325.GAA07029@eskimo.com>
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 07:25:39 -0600 (MDT)
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com (Old Tube Radios)
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Hank

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Hank van Cleef (vancleef@eskimo.com, hvanclee@nyx.net)
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Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 09:51:26 -0400
From: "Merz Donald S" <merz.ds@mellon.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

I guess the message is to stay the hell out of California!

73, Don Merz, N3RHT

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From: Henry van Cleef [mailto:vancleef@eskimo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2003 9:26 AM
To: Old Tube Radios
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Subject: Re: It Had To Happen

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Cc: Henry van Cleef <vancleef@eskimo.com>,
        Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>,
        boatanchors@theporch.com (Old Tube Radios)
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2003 16:24:41 +0000

Well then its OK to use the welding rod. Just don't use it CA. Not a problem for me, as I live in PA. No welding rod cancer here, just ridiculous taxes and laws. Give it a few more years, they will find a problem with PVC pipe and the sealer used with it. Russ.
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Cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: It Had To Happen (hot soldering irons)
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2003 16:32:48 +0000

You were supposed to use the wet sponge on your soldering station. Russ.
> He he. So did I, and it also works fine on dungarees and wash khakis. But I
> ruined a pair of double-knits (polyester) one day out of old habits. And the
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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Regarding "It Had to Happen . . ."
Date: Wed, 09 Jul 2003 16:36:24 +0000

Thats right- and no more using lead sinkers while fishing in my lake
either! Russ.
> Personally, I think it's_ part_ of a carefully orchestrated plan to
> castrate the 2nd. Amendment by outlawing lead, which means no bullets,
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Subject: RE: GB> Morse code requirement
Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 12:58:36 -0400
From: "Merz Donald S" <merz.ds@mellon.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Well, other considerations aside, it's a great opportunity to test our = assumptions. If the US drops its Morse requirement for an HF ham license = and the ham population continues to decline, the message gets really = clear.

Like when the minimum wage was not adjusted for inflation over a period = of 9 years or so in the 90's. Everyone who was saying that the minimum = wage was causing unemployment--especially among young people--had to = shut up or appear foolish. Without the inflation adjustment, the real = cost of employing a person at the minimum wage fell about 40% and = unemployment, even among the young, was not affected. Nothing like a = real world test to expose the truth.

Or when many predicted the demise of broadcast news when the FCC stopped = requiring a certain percentage of public service time in each broadcast = day. Then a crazy man name Ted Turner came along and made a fortune with = CNN. So the end result actually turns out to be that people wanted MORE = news, not less. It was the broadcast media owners themselves who were = artificially holding down the amount of news they delivered, thinking = that this "onerous government regulation" was getting in the way of = their real money making opportunity to broadcast music and sitcoms. What = a bunch of dopes they look like now.

It ain't what you know--it's what you know that ain't so.

73, Don Merz, N3RHT

-----Original Message-----
From: dzabcik@texas.net [mailto:dzabcik@texas.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 09, 2003 11:42 AM
To: Glowbugs
Subject: GB> Morse code requirement dropped! (long)

Well, it finally happened. The ITU has adopted language at the just concluded WARC-03 that drops the international treaty obligation for member nations to require proficiency in morse code to issue an amateur radio license for shortwave (HF) frequencies. Follows a quote from the International Amateur Radio Union webpage:

"The old regulation that Morse was a requirement for the operators of amateur stations below 30 MHz was found in a provision that read as

follows:=20

"'Any person seeking a license to operate the apparatus of an amateur station shall prove that he is able to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear texts in Morse code signals. The administrations concerned may, however, waive this requirement in the case of stations making use exclusively of frequencies above 30 MHz.'=20

"That was replaced with a provision giving each administration the right to decide whether or not Morse is a required qualification as follows:=20

"'25.5 Administrations shall determine whether or not a person seeking a license to operate an amateur station shall demonstrate the ability to send and receive texts in Morse code signals.'

"The alternative of simply deleting the old provision was rejected because a number of administrations thought that the matter was so important that a positive decision not to require Morse as a qualification was appropriate. The effect is actually the same: Morse code is no longer an internationally required qualification for an amateur license, though an administration may still require it." (End = quote)

This is BIG NEWS for potential American licensees because the FCC has implied in the past that the only reason they were retaining even the feeble and easily circumvented code requirement in place was the international treaty obligation.

It is difficult to accurately predict how soon this will affect US licensing procedure; however, as it is the stated intention of the FCC to get of the requirement as soon as possible, it seems logical to assume that after the Senate ratifies the treaty (which, in the past, has occurred without much debate), in a year or two the FCC will completely eliminate the code requirement for US Amateur license = candidates.

What does this have to do with Glowbugging? It means we're going to have work very, very hard to persuade even a tiny percentage of new licensees to learn morse code. And, without code, it is difficult to take those first halting steps into homebrew. How many of us could have built a SSB capable rig, or a full QSK rig for PSK, for our first project?

Learning to use morse code is very similar to learning to play a traditional musical instrument (only easier), and some people are still learning to play instruments in spite of the growing computerization of music. So, I suspect some individuals are still potential CW ops. What is needed is some way to identify these individuals and assure them that code is NOT impossibly difficult, and that all it requires is six weeks

or so of practice.

And, in any event, the quarter of a million or so of us worldwide who still use CW on a regular basis are not just going to disappear...

73, Dan, WB5YUZ

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Tek o'scopes FS
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de N4TGC Eric A. Jones, 6537 County Road 61, Florence, AL 35634

The recent discussion of Tek o'scope qualities reminded me I have a couple-three FS. I can "boot" and check these, as desired; both were in use recently by the person who consigned them, but you know how that is!

Tek 503 - Griffiths' book says this is a 1971 (trade?)school model. It does not use plug-ins, and is rated to 450kc (DC? to 450?), 1mv/div. sens. Already in clean, nice condx; I will dust it out, boot it, and check any six tubes you tell me to for the price, but I won't check them all! (Note: I recently had a 502, and was told Tek didn't know how to make a cheap o'scope, so the bandpass is probably better than the rated 450kc.) $25 plus shipping, OGO (or good offer)

Tek 531A - 15mc bandpass, 5mc trigger. Uses 'letter' plug-ins. Very clean. Will clean inside and check for ops, and any few tubes required for $50. Cart has holder plate for two spare plug-ins; drawer, etc. Some probes included; can't remember about manual - cart, $25. Three plug-ins available: CA - dual-trace 24mc, 50mv/div. input; M - four trace, 20mc, 20mv/div.; 53/54D (up-dated D) - up to 2mc bandpass, 1-mv-sens. dual-trace differential amp. (Can't remember if the imputs are SO-239 or BNC). Any one plug-in: $15; two for $25; all three for $30; with scope, deduct $5 each (example: scope and all three p/u's for

$65). Shipping extra - cart can be dismantled; it and the p/u's aren't esp. hefty, but the 531 is.

(my) Tek 547 parts unit - already sold all tubes and CRT; have all knobs, internals, most panels, fan, etc. left. Available for little more than shipping cost, depending on how hard the part is to remove. Was in very good condx, except input had apparently been transmitted into with high-power RF (deflection plate chokes exploded).

Please put your shipping address in your first response, and please DO NOT echo my entire ad back to me (I already have a copy!)

BTW, even tho the first two Teks aren't mine, I can take trades: I collect older 3" or 7" tube-type scopes that are NOT Tek; 5" scopes that are unusual or rare brand (not B&K, Bell & Howell, Leader, etc., but I will take CONAR and older RCA and DuMont); late-model HP that can be repaired, such as 141, 181, etc.; any interesting, 40's - 60's t.e. NOT intended for TV work, such as sig-gens, tracers, etc.

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Date: Wed, 9 Jul 2003 10:26:15 -0700 (PDT)
From: Meyer Gottesman <wrecktech@yahoo.com>
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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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For sale:

Bendix MP-28 plate modulator/dynamotor for the TA-12 WW II mil. xmtr. With all tubes. No modifications. Missing one end bell off dynamotor and bottom plate. Otherwise in good condition tho it needs a "bath". Get out the gunk! HI! The dynamotor puts out +540 volts at 450 ma. This with +25 volts input according to the nameplate. (Nominal 24-28 volt system). Uses 807s in the modulator.

This is one rare "bird"!!!

Sacrifice: $200.00 plus shipping/packing/insurance. I prefer to ship UPS ground.

Personal checks welcome and do not cause a delay.

Just send the $200.00. I will bill you for the shipping, etc. after it is shipped.

Tel: (478)741-1710. Macon, GA. (Shipping is FOB Warner
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73,

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I feel stupid asking, but my usual tactic when frustrated is to break out
the hammer and chisel and I'd rather not do that.....
If you aren't familiar with this piece of grey stuff, please delete.

I have a Collins 312B-4 (S-line phone patch/spkr/wattmeter) and I need to
replace a switch. I fooled around with it for a while last night but I can't
figure out how to get the front panel off - there must be some trick obvious
to any 12-year-old, but since I'm long past that, I got stumped.

The obvious choices - 2 screws on top and 2 from the front feet - appear to
be held in with internal nuts so they just twist around and aren't any help.
I undid the 4 front screws mounting the grill - no help. Undid the other
front panel screws, mic connector nut, and wattmeter switch nut - no help.
Tried prying off the trim ring - it moved about 1/8" but that's about all.

So, who'll let me in on the secret combo?

thanks,
Nick the Clueless

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